

CENTER FOR SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS

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MISSION

The Center for Scientific Publications supports the research and educational aspects of the Institute's mission. It oversees editorial and publishing issues of Institute-wide interest, reviews proposals for AFIP-generated publications, provides editorial review of manuscripts, oversees the processing and transmitting of manuscripts to publishers, maintains the Institute's publications records and archives, and collects reprints of AFIP publications. It is responsible for designing, coordinating, and producing the Institute's nonserial publications. Additionally, it edits, designs, and produces for publication the Annual Report and the Annual Research Progress Report and is responsible for coediting the AFIP "Atlas of Tumor Pathology." It prepares four-color separation films and black-and-white halftone films for the production of the Atlas of Tumor Pathology and the Institute's nonserial publications and generates digitized images for archiving and reproduction. It promotes the development of standardized diagnostic nomenclature, coordinates the revision of the World Health Organization's International Histological Classification of Tumors, and oversees publication of its revised edition.

ORGANIZATION

The center is organized into the following subdivisions: Editorial, Publications Preparation, Photographic Scanning, and the Office of the Director. The director chairs the AFIP Editorial Committee. The WHO Collaborating Center for International Histological Classification of Tumors is under the Office of the Director.

ACTIVITIES

During the period under consideration, the more noteworthy activities of the center included:

- 1. The publication of three new AFIP Atlases of Tumor Pathology (Third Series): Lower Respiratory Tract; Lymph Nodes and Spleen; and Serous Membranes.
- 2. The publication of Pathology of Systemic Lupus Erythematosus.
- 3. The publication of *Metodos Histotecnologicos*.
- 4. The preparation of the CD-ROM versions of the first 12 volumes of the Atlas of Tumor Pathology.
- 5. The completion of the second editions of the WHO histological classifications of pancreatic tumors and skin tumors and their submission for publication.
- 6. Desktop electronic publishing is routinely used to produce camera-ready copy for the Annual Report, the Annual Research Progress Report, the AFIP Letter, informational brochures, catalogues, and a variety of institutional documents.
- 7. Dr. Linda Murakata joined the center as associate editor. She is primarily responsible for the quality control of photographs in the tumor fascicles and nonserial publications.

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- 8. Dr. James Eastep joined the center as computer aided instruction specialist. He is exploring new electronic publication media and software and will be converting the AFIP laboratory manuals to electronic (CD-ROM-based) media.
- 9. Dr. Sobin participated in the following meetings: the annual meeting on the TNM (tumor, nodes, metastasis) project of the International Union Against Cancer (Geneva, Switzerland); National Cancer Institute of Canada Workshop on the role of the pathologist in cancer staging; associate editors of the journal *Cancer*; and the editorial advisory board of the Atlas of Tumor Pathology. He was invited by WHO to organize a workshop on "Staging of Cancer" in Oman and by the International Academy of Pathology (IAP) to organize a series of presentations on the WHO International Histological Classification of Tumors at the 1996 IAP Congress in Budapest.

1995 PUBLICATIONS (List on page 291)

Professional journals	245
Books and chapters	51
Abstracts and other publications	147
Manuscripts processed	239
Reprint requests processed	10,668

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